



NEWS RELEASE

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Who: California Department of Transportation

What: Highway Improvements

When: Tuesday, June 1, 2010

Where: In Inyo County on SR 168 from Ed Powers Road to Red Hill Road

Bishop – Caltrans District 9 Director Tom Hallenbeck announced the award and approval of a \$776 thousand project in Inyo County on SR 168 from Ed Powers Road to Red Hill Road. The contract was awarded to Granite Construction Company from Bakersfield, California, and consists of widening shoulders and a Hot-Mix Asphalt Overlay (HMA).

HMA overlays are one of the most cost effective, efficient and versatile pavement preservation options available. The benefits include additional structural capacity, enhanced skid resistance, reduced noise levels and improved ride, drainage and aesthetics. Overlays can be placed in varying thicknesses, allowing the engineer flexibility to design according to the needs of the roadway.

Granite Construction Company will begin Construction June 1, 2010. The anticipated completion date is July 30, 2010.

The traveling public is advised that during daylight hours, there will be traffic control with flaggers and a pilot car. Expect delays of up to 20 minutes.

When approaching the construction zone, the traveling public is advised to reduce their speed, observe the construction signs, and watch for construction personnel and equipment.

